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LETTER

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified patent application, it has come to light that the Applicant has been paying large entity fees but, in fact, qualifies for small entity status.

Therefore, by this paper, the Applicant hereby asserts small entity status and will be paying all future fees accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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